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## 2021 T/TH SENIOR (58+) SOFTBALL DRAFT LEAGUE

*Home Run Limit – 1-up with no limit*

### TEAM

### MANAGER

Blue	John Hassiepen, (302) 723-2997, <a href="mailto:jhassiepen@comcast.net">jhassiepen@comcast.net</a>
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USA Softball National Office.....405-424-5266	NCC Facility Emergency ..... 395-5700
News Journal Sports ..... 324-2850	NCC Field Permits..... 395-5606

- This schedule represents your permit to play on the listed NCC softball fields on the dates and times specified. You must carry a copy to all games.
- You should be familiar with all USA Softball and NCC rules.
- Teams should arrive **no earlier than 15 minutes before game time**. *If playing conditions are questionable players should call the Inclement Weather Message Line – (302) 395-5891 for instructions after 8:30 AM. Please do not call the Sports Office – staff have been instructed to refer all calls to the Weather Line.* A grace period of 15 minutes is allowed for most games (See NCC General Rules for additional information).
- Batting practice is prohibited in the batter's boxes before games. Please repair the batter's boxes before leaving the field.
- Line up cards must be submitted during ground rules.
- **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE PROHIBITED ON COUNTY PARKLAND!**
- Proper conduct is expected of all players (See misconduct penalties in NCC General Softball Rules). "Zero Tolerance Rule" against profanity must be strictly adhered to by all participants.
- Managers must confirm receipt of rescheduled games with the opposing team manager.
- **WARNING: permanent first bases and synthetic batters boxes are in use at select facilities.**
- **Use of metal shoe cleats is prohibited.**

2021 Senior Softball (58+) Draft League  
Official Rosters

Team Name	Blue	Gold	Green	Orange	Purple	Red
Manager						
1	Bush, Harry	Bateman, Dave	Atley, Richard	Anemone, Russ	Ackerman, Ted	Baker, Stephen
2	Carney, Tony	Brenneman, Tom	Chalfant, Paul	Bradford, Bob	Bell, James Jimmy	Barnett, Ted
3	Freeland, William	Danner, David	Cipolla, Richard	Connell, Tom	Bishop, John	Barone, Joe
4	Grier, Jr., Willis C.	Deming, Mike	Conomon, Michael	Deputy, William	Conaway, Joe	Cella, Pete
5	Hassiepen, John J.	Fiske, Gregory	Curry, William	Devlin, Thomas	Frymoyer, Richard	Delaney, Louis
6	Lewis, Glenn	Freedman, Calvin	Gatti, Paul D.	Edmiston, Jack	Grabowski, Thomas	Episcopo, Michael
7	Mannheim, Darryl	Howard, George	Gentile, Wayne	Green, Gilbert	Greene, Charles	Furlong, Dan
8	McCay, Jim	Marshall, Thomas	Grasso, Jerry	Kimmel, Curtis	Halton, Ernest	Grinnage, Norman
9	McCole, Joe	Menchen, William G	Hayden, Ken	Mullen, Joe	Hamrick, Eldon	Johnson, Martin
10	Mirolli, Gene	Opromolla, Gary	Lipp, Jack	Pinkett, Jr, Joseph	Hawthorne, Barry	Kline, Jim
11	Mott, Fred	Pivonka, Donald	Pote, Corey	Stinson, Kevin	Merendino, Russ	Milli, Mario
12	O'Donnell, John J	Rensi, Terence	Rutter, Ronald	Truszcinski Jr, Joseph	Rodriguez, William	Rinehart, Robert D.
13	Rinehimer, Al	Roman, George	Smith, Bob	Vari, Joseph	Salvato, Joseph	Slivinski, Gordy
14	Smith, Stephen	Schmitt, John	Swanson, William	Waldt, Harry	Vitcusky, Ronald	Thomas, Robert J
15	Waldt, Larry	Stidham, Bill	Thomas, Robert E	White, Johnny	Wright, David	Thornton, Robert
16	Williams, Barry	Sullivan, James	Vincenzo, John	Wintrup, Bill	Wurm, Christopher	Vandenbraak, William
17	Wronowicz Sr., Ronald					
Avg. Age	72.6	68.8	70.3	71.5	72.2	70.4
Avg. Rating	3.6	3.7	3.3	3.4	3.3	3.7

League Average Age: 70.1  
League Average Rating: 3.5

### Reminders

1. ASA bat rule is in effect. All ASA approved bats may be used in this program. Players ages 75 and older (by December 31) may use any bat approved for Senior Softball. See the attached rule and the Sports and Athletics website for more information.
2. Regular season single/games = 7 innings; Regular season doubleheaders = 6 innings (if time permits managers also have the option to play 7 innings for one or both games if agreed upon during ground rules); Playoffs = 7 innings.
3. Up to 20 players are permitted on a roster.
4. A 1-1 starting count is optional in all games. Note: Managers are encouraged to utilize the 1-1 count when necessary to help complete an official game.
5. **"Run Ahead Rule"** will be in effect for all games: 15 runs after 4 innings or 10 runs after 5 innings. The home team must complete their turn at bat during the inning, unless they have reached the "Run Ahead" limit.
6. Players/Teams must bring their own drinks, ice and first aid supplies to all games.

### Rule Interpretations

*The following rule interpretations are included in order to clarify some common misinterpretations of our Senior League rules. Everyone is reminded that a full copy of the NCC General Softball Rules and Regulations is posted on the NCC Sports website: [nccdesports.com](http://nccdesports.com).*

1. Rules can be modified by agreement of both managers during ground rules but these modifications have no formal bearing on rules used for future games. When in doubt, the printed rules apply. **EXCEPTION: Rules designed to enhance player safety cannot be modified.**
3. Regarding "borrowing" players from other teams:
  - a. Teams may "borrow" players only if they have twelve (12) roster players or less at their game. A team that borrows players may not have more than thirteen (13)
  - b. "Borrowed" players may not be used in place of roster players who are present at the game. They may be used to fill in for missing roster players, to substitute for roster players who voluntarily leave the game, or to courtesy run for roster players that need a runner.
  - c. A team using "borrowed" players may not have more than eleven (11) players in the batting order.
4. Courtesy runners may only be used after a batter has completed his turn, reached base safely, and the ball is declared dead at the end of the play.

## Rule Change – Pitching Screens

From NCC General Softball Rules Senior League Addendum II.A.4.

### A. Defensive Requirements:

4. In order to provide some level of protection to the pitchers the use of a 4' x 7' protective screen in front of the pitcher is mandatory.
  - a. The pitching screen will be placed so that inside edge of the screen frame will be in contact with and overlap at least one-half of the front edge of the pitcher's plate and the screen is parallel to a line drawn between first and third bases.
  - b. The screen can be placed on either side of the pitcher's plate depending on whether the pitcher is right or left handed.
  - c. Pitchers are permitted to pitch up to **10** feet directly behind the official pitcher's plate. One foot must be on the ground within the 24" length of the pitcher's plate.
  - d. After releasing the pitch the pitcher must move to a position directly behind the screen until the ball is hit. **The pitcher *may not* field a batted ball and cannot participate in the play until another defensive player has touched the batted ball.**
    1. Penalty: for the first and second violation of this rule the offensive team has the option of taking the result of the play or returning the runners to their original bases and awarding a ball on the batter and having him hit again.
    2. For the third violation of this rule in addition to the penalty listed above the pitcher is removed from the pitching position for the remainder of the game (he may stay in the line-up play any other defensive position).



### **Player Participation Policy**

*The T/Th Senior Draft League was formed to offer any individual, aged 58 and older, the ability to participate in a structured, recreational softball league. This policy ensures that all participants are afforded an equal opportunity to participate in the program regardless of their individual skill level.*

1. All healthy and willing players who are present before the start of the game shall be listed on their team's line-up card in the batting order. Players are listed individually and are not to share batting order slots. Players that arrive after the start of the game are to be added to the line-up card at the end of the batting order.
2. All healthy and willing players who are present at the start of the game are expected to participate on defense for at least one-half of the game (3 innings for a 7 inning game; 4 innings for a 9 inning game). Players who arrive after the start of the game are expected to participate on defense for at least one-half of the defensive innings left in the game at the time of their arrival.
3. The "healthy and willing" status is determined by each individual player; however, players who exhibit signs of an obvious injury that affects their normal playing ability can be removed from the game at any time by the team manager after consultation with the League Coordinator.
4. This participation policy is not in effect during playoff games but it is expected that all healthy and willing players participate on offense and defense at some point during the game.

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Navigate to @nccdesports and click on the star next to the FOLLOW tab

To receive push notifications of Sports Office tweets on iPhone:  
Navigate to @nccdesports, click on the wheel next to the FOLLOW tab, and click on TURN ON NOTIFICATIONS



### **Special CO-VID Procedures Are In Place**

Special COVID protocols are in place and are summarized below.

A copy of the full New Castle County Outdoor Sports Operating Plan, which has been approved by the Delaware Department of Public Health, is attached at the end of this document.

#### **Game Day Protocols**

- Our operating plan has been approved by the Dept. of Public Health and must be followed at all times. Anyone refusing to follow the approved plan will be asked to leave the facility immediately.
- **PLEASE DO NOT ARRIVE MORE THAN 15 MINUTES BEFORE YOUR SCHEDULED GAME TIME**
- Everyone will be temperature screened and required to verbally verify that they do not meet any of the criteria that would restrict their access to the facility.
- **MASKS ARE REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES**, except for players while actively engaged in game play while on the field. This is a Dept. of Public Health requirement. Since DPH continually revises and updates their policies, NCC will monitor for any updates during the season.
- **DUGOUTS AND BLEACHERS ARE CLOSED** – teams and spectators should provide their own seating. 6' social distancing must be maintained by everyone not in the same household group.
- Teams must hit their own softball. A properly sanitized ball must be provided anytime the game ball goes out of play.
- **ANY INTENTIONAL DIRECT CONTACT WITH AN OPPONENT WILL RESULT IN IMMEDIATE EJECTION AND REMOVAL FROM THE FACILITY AND INCUR AN ADDITIONAL MINIMUM TWO GAME SUSPENSION!**
- Please leave the facility immediately upon completion of your game.

#### **COVID Mitigation Plan**

- Any player who tests positive, who is quarantined because they exhibit symptoms of COVID or who is exposed to someone who has tested positive must notify their manager immediately. The manager will then inform the Sports Office.
- Any official or staff member who tests positive, who is quarantined because they exhibit symptoms of COVID or who is exposed to someone who has tested positive must notify the Sports Office immediately.
- Once notified, the Sports Office, working with the New Castle County Office of Risk Management, will implement the appropriate COVID mitigation strategy as described in the attached Operating Plan.

*The first rain-out will be rescheduled for Thu, June 24; all subsequent rain outs will be rescheduled as double-headers on the teams' next scheduled meeting date. The regular season will not be extended past the last June play date.*

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>FIELD</u>	<u>GAMES</u>	<u>HOME TEAM</u>	<u>VISITING TEAM</u>
Tue 05/04/21	9:45 AM	Del 1	1	Orange	Red
	10:00 AM	Del 4	2	Green	Gold
	10:15 AM	Del 3	3	Purple	Blue
Thu 05/06/21	9:45 AM	Del 1	4	Purple	Green
	10:00 AM	Del 4	5	Blue	Red
	10:15 AM	Del 3	6	Orange	Gold
Tue 05/11/21	9:45 AM	Del 1	7	Blue	Green
	10:00 AM	Del 4	8	Orange	Purple
	10:15 AM	Del 3	9	Red	Gold
Thu 05/13/21	9:45 AM	Del 1	10	Gold	Purple
	10:00 AM	Del 4	11	Blue	Orange
	10:15 AM	Del 3	12	Green	Red
Tue 05/18/21	9:45 AM	Del 1	13	Gold	Blue
	10:00 AM	Del 4	14	Red	Purple
	10:15 AM	Del 3	15	Green	Orange
Thu 05/20/21	9:45 AM	Del 1	16	Blue	Purple
	10:00 AM	Del 4	17	Gold	Green
	10:15 AM	Del 3	18	Red	Orange
Tue 05/25/21	9:45 AM	Del 1	19	Gold	Orange
	10:00 AM	Del 4	20	Red	Blue
	10:15 AM	Del 3	21	Green	Purple
Thu 05/27/21	9:45 AM	Del 1	22	Gold	Red
	10:00 AM	Del 4	23	Purple	Orange
	10:15 AM	Del 3	24	Green	Blue
Tue 06/01/21	9:45 AM	Del 1	25	Red	Green
	10:00 AM	Del 4	26	Orange	Blue
	10:15 AM	Del 3	27	Purple	Gold
Thu 06/03/21	9:45 AM	Del 1	28	Orange	Green
	10:00 AM	Del 4	29	Purple	Red
	10:15 AM	Del 3	30	Blue	Gold
Tue 06/08/21	9:45 AM	Del 1	31	Orange	Red
	10:00 AM	Del 4	32	Green	Gold
	10:15 AM	Del 3	33	Purple	Blue
Thu 06/10/21	9:45 AM	Del 1	34	Purple	Green
	10:00 AM	Del 4	35	Blue	Red
	10:15 AM	Del 3	36	Orange	Gold

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>FIELD</u>	<u>GAMES</u>	<u>HOME TEAM</u>	<u>VISITING TEAM</u>
Tue 06/15/21	9:45 AM	Del 1	37	Blue	Green
	10:00 AM	Del 4	38	Orange	Purple
	10:15 AM	Del 3	39	Red	Gold
Thu 06/17/21	9:45 AM	Del 1	40	Gold	Purple
	10:00 AM	Del 4	41	Blue	Orange
	10:15 AM	Del 3	42	Green	Red
Tue 06/22/21	9:45 AM	Del 1	43	Gold	Blue
	10:00 AM	Del 4	44	Red	Purple
	10:15 AM	Del 3	45	Green	Orange
Thu 06/24/21	9:45 AM	Del 1			
	10:00 AM	Del 4			
	10:15 AM	Del 3			

*1<sup>st</sup> Rain-Out Reschedule*

**2021 SENIOR (58+) SOFTBALL LEAGUES**  
*Draft League Playoffs: 6 teams – Double Elimination*

***The home team in each game is the highest seed***

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>FIELD</u>	<u>GAME</u>	<u>TEAM 1</u>	<u>TEAM 2</u>
Tue 06/29/21	9:45 AM	Del 1	P1	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	6 <sup>th</sup> Place
	10:00 AM	Del 4	P2	4 <sup>th</sup> Place	5 <sup>th</sup> Place
	10:45 AM	Del 1	P3	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Winner P1
	11:00 AM	Del 4	P4	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Winner P2
Thu 07/01/21				<i>July 4<sup>th</sup> break – No games scheduled</i>	
Tue 07/08/21	9:45 AM	Del 1	P5	Loser P1	Loser P4
	10:00 AM	Del 4	P6	Loser P2	Loser P3
Thu 07/10/21	9:45 AM	Del 1	P7	Winner P3	Winner P4
	10:00 AM	Del 1	P8	Winner P5	Winner P6
Tue 07/15/21	10:00 AM	Del 1	P9	Loser P7	Winner P8
Thu 07/17/21	10:00 AM	Del 1	P10	Winner P7	Winner P9
Tue 07/22/21	10:00 AM	Del 1	P11 "if"	Winner P7	Winner P9



## Sports & Athletics COVID-19 Plan for Outdoor Sports Leagues

The New Castle County Sports & Athletics Section offers programming in accordance with the State of Delaware's Phase 2 Re-Opening directives and County Executive Orders. The health and safety of staff, participants, and the public remains the top priority. To ensure compliance we have developed guidelines and will be instituting several safety protocols and cleaning procedures at our sport complexes. A modified schedule and gameplay changes will be used to limit exposure. Our on-site staff will be responsible for monitoring and enforcing the social distancing protocols as well as the screening process and cleaning routines.

### Facilities List

The facilities listed below will be used for fall sports leagues. All facilities are outdoors and located on New Castle County owned parkland.

#### **Banning Park**

Soccer Field #1  
Soccer Field #2  
Softball Field #2  
Softball Field #3  
Softball Field #3

#### **Biden Park**

Football Field

#### **Brandywine Springs Park**

Football Field  
Softball Field

#### **Delcastle Park**

Flag Football Field #1  
Flag Football Field #2  
Flag Football Field #3  
Football Field  
Softball Field #1  
Softball Field #2  
Softball Field #3  
Softball Field #4

#### **Glasgow Park**

Flag Football Field #1  
Flag Football Field #2

#### **Greenbank Park**

Softball Field

#### **Kirkwood Soccer Club**

Soccer Field #1  
Soccer Field #2  
Soccer Field #3

#### **Marbrook Elementary School**

Football Field

#### **Talley Day Park**

Soccer Field #1  
Soccer Field #2

The guidelines below were drafted from the State of Delaware Phase 2 Re-Opening plan (<https://coronavirus.delaware.gov/reopening/phase2/>) and modified to accommodate our programs.

### **I. FACE COVERINGS**

Every participant (players/staff/volunteers/parents/spectators) must comply with face covering consistent with the State of Emergency order. This is especially important when social distancing cannot be maintained.

- All of the programs offered by New Castle County are categorized as either Medium or Low Risk sports as defined in the Twenty-Seventh Modification.
- NCC Staff will be required to wear a face covering at all times.
- Players will be required to wear a face covering at all times except when actively engaged in practice or game play while on the field.
- Coaches will be required to wear a face covering at all times.
- Officials will be required to wear a face covering at all times.

- Spectators will be required to wear masks at all times.

## **II. SOCIAL DISTANCING**

Each sport must comply with social distancing guidelines of 6 feet or more for all players, staff, coaches, officials and spectators to the greatest extent possible.

- Team benches and dugouts will be blocked off to avoid players congregating around common spaces. Players will be required to spread out while not on the field.
- Spectators will be required maintain a minimum of six feet between household groups.
- Officials will be required to maintain a space of 6 feet or more when conducting the pre-game conference, communicating with coaches and players during the game and, to the best of their ability, while performing their officiating duties.
- Field usage schedules will be modified to limit the number games played at each site. Whenever stacking games is required, extra time will be allowed between games to avoid team to team crossover at the playing site.
- Players will be informed to wait in their cars before games begin and leave promptly after games are finished in order to ensure social distancing during non-playing time.
- NCC will not allow gathering in common areas around the sports complexes before/during/after games.
- All players will be required to bring and use their own equipment (no shared equipment). They will be instructed to use as much space as necessary to spread themselves out while not on the field of play.
- Intentional physical contact between participants, including, but not limited to, sport specific traditions such as pre-game conferences, post-game handshakes and “high-fives”, are prohibited.

## **III. HANDWASHING, SANITIZING, CLEANING AND DISINFECTING**

- A. Players, staff, coaches, officials and all participants in sports should be encouraged to wash hands for 20 seconds with soap and water before and after practice and games. Hand sanitizer or hand washing stations must be readily available for all players, staff, coaches, officials, spectators and all participants throughout the business location, including at each entry and exit at a minimum. Hand sanitizer must be composed of at least sixty percent (60%) ethanol or seventy percent (70%) isopropanol.
- Hand sanitizer is available at each facility.
  - Players will be reminded to wash / sanitize before and after each activity.
- B. Facilities must be cleaned at least once per day. Use an EPA List 6 approved disinfectant for frequently touched surfaces.
- Staff will clean the necessary areas of our complexes before and after each game. Staff will routinely spray disinfect high contact points such as fences (where players hang equipment bags), restroom facilities and portable toilets.

## **IV. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

- A. All facilities, organizers, and leagues must identify a safety and hygiene manager who is responsible for coordinating and enforcing COVID-19 protocols. All coaches, staff, officials, and families should know who this person is and how to contact them. Any plans submitted to DPH must identify this individual.
- A NCC staff member will be present at each game location to manage the site, conduct participant screening and enforce compliance with NCC and DPH policies and procedures.

- B. Coaches, staff, officials, parents, and players must be informed about the expectation to stay home when sick, to contact the team safety and hygiene manager if they test positive for COVID-19, and to inform DPH about possible exposures. A health self-assessment must be completed by each athlete, coach and staff prior to engaging in any athletic activity in a facility, organization or league.
- NCC Staff will screen each participant, official and spectator before they enter the playing areas. Screening will consist of a verbal affirmation of lack of symptoms (Cough, shortness of breath and fever) and a forehead scan with a digital thermometer. Anyone with a temperature of 99.5 degrees or above will be prohibited from entering the complex.
  - At each screening station, signs will be prominently displayed that remind everyone that entry is prohibited if they exhibit any of the common symptoms of COVID-19: Fever, Shortness of breath or cough (See Appendix for sample).
- C. Teams and leagues must have written protocols to address participants who develop symptoms during the activity.
- To assist with contact tracing, the following information is collected from each participant: name, address, a phone number and birth date are collected from each player when signing their team roster.
  - The team manager must notify the Sports Office immediately upon learning of any players who have tested positive or are being tested because they have exhibited symptoms like those of COVID.
    - The managers of both teams will be required to notify their players of the potential exposure.
    - The team with a positive result will be quarantined from further participation for 10 days or until a sufficient number of players have received a negative result from a test conducted no sooner than 5 days after exposure.
    - The opponent of the team with the positive test result will have their next game postponed in order to allow sufficient time for notification, monitoring for symptoms and recommended testing.
- D. Sports organizations and facilities must post extensive signage instructing staff, participants, and spectators to wear face coverings and maintain six (6) feet of distance from others.
- Signs will be posted through each facility reminding participants of social distancing and face covering requirements. A copy of the signs can be found in the appendices of this document.

#### APPENDIX: SIGNS

# STOP!

**TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS EVENT YOU MUST:**



**Wear a face mask**



**Remain 6' apart**

**ADDITIONALLY, YOU MAY NOT PARTICIPATE  
IF YOU HAVE ANY OF THESE SYMPTOMS:**



**Fever**



**Shortness of breath**



**Cough**

**FEELING SICK? STAY HOME.  
Contact your health care provider  
immediately.**

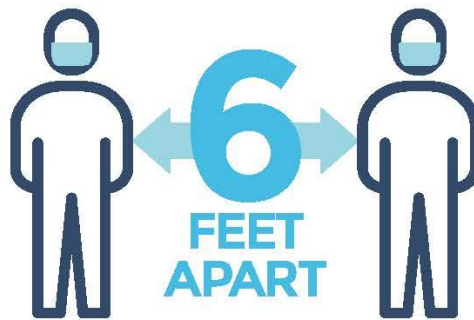
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or [cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://cdc.gov/coronavirus)



# PLAY SAFELY



**Wear a face  
covering.**



**Practice social  
distancing.**



**Wash or sanitize  
your hands often.**

 **PLEASE STAY HOME IF YOU ARE SICK.**



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**FACE COVERING  
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IN THIS AREA**

